

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 78

By Hill

A RESOLUTION to recognize and congratulate Johnson City Medical Center on being named a Magnet Hospital by the American Nurses Credentialing Center.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those excellent hospitals that, through their dedicated employees, bring honor to the State of Tennessee and serve the common good by providing quality medical attention to the sick and suffering; and

WHEREAS, the Johnson City Medical Center, the second hospital built in Tennessee, is one such laudable hospital that has served the medical needs of the Tri-Cities community for 94 years; and

WHEREAS, Johnson City Medical Center has been named a Magnet Hospital by the American Nurses Credentialing Center, an arm of the American Nurses Association, which recognizes the elite group of hospitals in the United States that have taken extraordinary measures to demonstrate their professionalism and pride in delivering quality health care to their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, the Magnet Hospital award is the American Nurses Credentialing Center's highest honor; Johnson City Medical Center is one of only 139 hospitals of the 6,000 in America to have earned this prestigious award and the only hospital in the State to be recognized in such exalted fashion; and

WHEREAS, Magnet Hospital status is awarded only after a hospital has set in place rigorous standards, defined by the American Nurses Credentialing Center, and gathered evidence to show such standards have been met; Magnet employees then review such

evidence and other materials provided by the hospital, and a thorough four-day inspection is conducted by Magnet inspectors at the participating hospital; and

WHEREAS, Magnet Hospitals greatly emphasize nursing as part of an interdisciplinary approach to health care, and nurses, doctors, and other health care professionals support and work in cooperation with each other within the hospital to create an environment of clinical excellence; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly wish to seize this golden opportunity to recognize the exceptional effort and dedication shown by the health care professionals of Johnson City Medical Center in meeting the medical needs of the Tri-Cities community with a degree of excellence unmatched in Tennessee's medical community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we do hereby recognize and congratulate Johnson City Medical Center for being awarded Magnet Hospital status by the American Nurses Credentialing Center.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we thank the doctors, nurses, and other medical professionals associated with Johnson City Medical Center for their unwavering dedication to excellence.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.